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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Alain BOUILLOUX et al. : Group Art Unit: 1712

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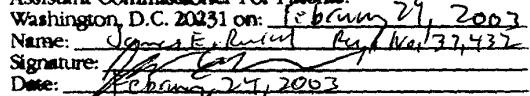
For: THERMOPLASTIC COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING A CROSSLINKED PHASE

REPLY

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 23, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the remarks.

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 20 and 41 as follows:

20. (Twice Amended) A thermoplastic composition comprising a thermoplastic polymer, having incorporated therein a crosslinked phase from a reaction of:

- (A) a copolymer made from an unsaturated epoxide or a polyolefin grafted with an unsaturated epoxide,  
(B) a copolymer made from ethylene and an unsaturated carboxylic acid anhydride, and  
(C) a copolymer made from an unsaturated carboxylic acid, or an  $\alpha,\omega$ -aminocarboxylic acid.

41. (Amended) A thermoplastic composition comprising a thermoplastic polymer, having incorporated therein a crosslinked phase from a reaction of:

03/12/2003 TCOLE1 00009001 931492 09384133 (A) a copolymer of an unsaturated epoxide or a polyolefin grafted with an unsaturated

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